

## Isn't It Surprising?

Well! Well!  
Who would have thought it?

The above and many similar remarks are being constantly made by people who, upon visiting our Men's Wear Department for the first time, find that-

*It is still possible to buy Clothing and Footwear at the old prices.*

But isn't it a fact that you can always get better goods at lower prices at McKee's than anywhere else in the west?

The reason is we are content with a reasonable profit and steady permanent business.

Have you ever tried hard to save money on your Grocery Bill?

It's mighty difficult these days isn't it? Everything seems to be advancing in price nearly every time you order. Take teas for example. These have all advanced lately, but you will find

*McKee's. Special Tea still being sold at the old price.*

You get the full advantage of our buying.

Same thing applies to every article.

**McKee's Stores. Phone 9 Always at Your Service**

### THE GEM THEATRE

Monday only: Ethel Clayton in "Vicky Van."

Tuesday only:

A Special Production—"CIVILISATION"—75c.—50c.—25c.

Wednesday and Thursday:

Dorothy Dalton in "Hard Boiled."

### A "BUY" WORD

Look over this list, you will find High Class Merchandise bought by us when the markets were low. Our Values in January pushed our sale up to the highest mark ever reached. February will do the same, if you will take the opportunity to **SAVE MONEY.**

Come up the side street (Opposite the Post Office) It Pays!

MUSLIN, dotted swiss	per yd. 25c. and 35c.
Cord Stripe	35c.
Cord Check	25c.
Cotton Bar	20c.
Cord Stripes, very fine	40c.
DIMITY	40c.
VOILE. A dainty pink and white, a snap	35c.
a Dress Voile, white, very dainty	60c.
also one with white silk stripe and pale blue pr yd	1.00
BEDFORD CORD, heavy weight, fine quality, 40 in. wide	35c.
GALATEA. Good weight, 25 in. wide, navy blue with dot or anchor	per yard 45c.
PILLOW COTTON. 42 inch, good quality, can be had at this price	per yard 65c.

GINGHAM. January Sale of Gingham, best summer sales. Why, good quality, low price, being sold most places at 65c. per yard. Our Price 45c.

Groceries & Provisions. Fruit & Vegetables

JAS. JOHNSTON The Quality Store

### TOWN COUNCIL

Waterworks and Fireworks.

The Waterworks Committee dropped a bombshell into an otherwise perfectly sedate and peaceful meeting of Council when its report of the operation of the steam auxiliary plant at the pumping station was brought in, together with its recommendation that the services of Engineer Brennan be dispensed with.

Attached to this report was the report of the Provincial Boiler Inspector who had been requested to inspect the plant following its partial breakdown during the recent emergency created by the destruction of the power plant last week.

Mr. Brennan, in defence of his position in the matter, said: "While he had to confess that the efficiency of the steam plant was considerably below par (in fact only 25 %) he did not feel that he could honestly be held to blame for that condition." He intimated several matters which were responsible for the low efficiency of the plant, particularly the blowing down of the smoke stack and its refusal of council of certain regulations he had made last year, which he claimed, would if granted at the time, made considerable difference and added greatly to the inefficiency of the plant.

The Chairman of the Committee, Coun. Allan informed the council of the very serious situation which had been created in town by the failure of the emergency plant. The two principal matters were the inability to supply the C.P.R. with water, and the exceedingly low pressure which had practically deprived the town of fire protection for nearly 90 hours.

The crux of the whole matter seemed to rest on the point whether or the engineer knew that the condition of the steam unit was such

### Hospital Board Secures Rebate of Taxes.

We are pleased to be able to announce that as a result of representations made to the Hospital Board and by that board to Edmonton, the tax on farm lands has been reduced from 5 to 4 cents per acre (The amount approved by the ratepayers.)

Many cheques, covering the taxes of farms, have already been issued by the department and it is expected that all will be issued by the end of the month.

It must be credited to the Board that their protest against the levy of the five cent rate has so been fruit and it is evident that now as the department is concerned, was not the intention to levy a higher rate than that approved by the board.

We are informed that the new wing of the hospital will be opened shortly and we are particularly pleased to announce that the work of the contractors has been very highly commended by the architect.

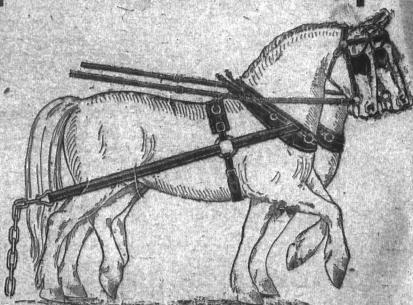
that the town was really without an emergency outfit or whether he had neglected the plant and was as ignorant of its condition as was the council, and believed that it was efficient to meet the need of the town at a moment's notice.

In answer to the Mayor and Coun. McKee, who asked him if he remembered telling them last Tuesday that he could get steam up in three hours, Mr. Brennan said that he never had the plant running in that time, but found it was a much longer time before he could get sufficient pressure.

After a long discussion during

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### A Wonderful Buy



### Team Plow Harness

TRACES - 1 3-4 inch layer trace, ring style.

HAMES - Dreadnought steel.

LINES - 1 inch wide, 22 feet long.

BRIDLES - 7-8 checks, concord blinds.

PADS - Felt lined, 1 1-2 inch Billets.

BREAST STRAPS - 1 1-2 inch, with soaps.

Price less collar, **\$48.00**

### HORSE BLANKET SPECIALS

White duck, full lined, 84 inches long, at each \$4.50

Extra heavy, water tight 84 inches, long, at each \$6.50

Reductions on all men's lined gloves and mitts

Currie & Milroy, Ltd., Basso





## Annual Stocktaking Sale!

25 per cent. DISCOUNT

On Cut Glass, Fancy China, Casseroles, Pyrex Ware, Mesh Bags, and dainty pieces of Jewelry, both in Solid Gold and Gold Filled.

Take advantage of this opportunity.  
One Week Only ... Sale Ending February 28th.

POWERS' OPTICAL & JEWELRY CO.

PERMANENT ADDRESS: BASSANO, ALBERTA.

### AN INTERESTING ANNOUNCEMENT.

In order to cope with the unsteady conditions of our buying markets we have been compelled to adopt a strictly cash basis for our business policy in 1920.

By this means we hope to give and get better service.

JAS. O'NEILL BASSANO BLACKSMITH SHOP

### Buy an Irrigated Farm

From the Canadian Pacific Railway.

**REGULAR.**  
you can buy irrigated land from the Canadian Pacific Railway at prices averaging \$60 PER ACRE, with 20 years to pay and the privilege of a loan of \$2,000 for improvements (5% interest); no principal after first payment until end of fourth year, reduced interest if settlement conditions are complied with, and no water rental for first year.

Contract can be paid off before maturity if desired.

Irrigation makes intensive farming and close settlement with all the advantages of a densely populated agricultural community.

Irrigation in the Canadian Pacific Railway Irrigation District is no

longer an experiment, the years that it has been tried having absolutely demonstrated its success wherever intelligently applied.

This is the most liberal offer of irrigated farm land on record.

For full particulars, apply to

Allan Cameron, General Supt. of Lands  
Canadian Pacific Railway, Department of Natural Resources

228 First Street East, Calgary, Alberta.

You can eat any old time but there is only one place where you can eat and enjoy your meals and that is the

### New Royal Cafe

Flanagan's Old Store - Lee Wah, Proprietor

We have enlarged our staff and everything is new, clean, and up-to-date.

You will enjoy every meal you have in our new restaurant.

**Best of Everything**  
Prices Moderate

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WOOD  
LUMBER - POST - PAINT  
FELTS and BUILDING PAPERS

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### The Bassano Mail.

Publisher: The Mail Publishing Co., Ltd.  
Managing Editor: E. G. Allen

#### And so say all of us.

The United Electric and Engineering Co., and the officials of the Natural Resources Dept. of the C.P.R., are to be congratulated upon the excellent work they have accomplished in the profiting of electric current from the "Dam" in such a wonderfully short time, and the people of Bassano are to be envied at securing such hearty support and co-operation as that has been extended by the C.P.R.

The United Electric Co., might have been excused, if in the face of the recent disaster, which has followed so closely upon several accidents, all of which have meant severe loss, they had decided to cut their losses and quit. But, within 90 minutes after hearing the news, Mr. Brown had made arrangements for a supply from the "Dam" and had the material for the work rolling on its way to Bassano.

The C.P.R. was equally active and almost before daylight on Wednesday morning had their work gang busy at the job of making connections Under the supervision of their electrical engineer.

But even at that the completion of the work by Saturday was little short of miraculous and we are sure that every person in town will be in hearty accord with the motion of appreciation which was passed by the Council at its last meeting.

#### Well Done, Bassano!

Very few towns or cities in the whole Dominion can be as proud over their accomplishments in the great Inter-Clergy Forward Movement as can our own town of Bassano, for both co-operating churches (the Anglican and Presbyterian) exceeded their objectives the latter on Wednesday and the former by Friday.

The Presbyterian Church canvassers headed by Rev. T. S. Paton have made a splendid showing almost doubling their objective of \$700.00 while the Anglicans headed by Mayor Bredin have done almost as well with their canvas.

With the financial end of the campaign has been so very gratifying, the awakening of deeper interest in the work of the churches has been even more significant of success in the final objective of the movement which is the reviving of the religious spirit of our people.

Too much emphasis perhaps has been made on the financial part of the campaign, but it has been done by the laymen in the hope that once the churches are adequately equipped the deeper aims of the Forward Movement might be attained, for it has been realized that only by co-operation can the churches hope to work in the most efficient and satisfactory manner.

Bassano has once more proved that even under the most adverse conditions it can rise to an occasion which is worthy of its wholehearted support.

Why Worry when a "Mail" Want-Ad. will sell, find or lose it for you.

**I**F the Ford Motor Company of Canada, Limited, is able to build up to the limit of its capacity, over 27,350 Ford Cars will be built for use in Canada between January the first and July the thirty-first of this year. Divided among the total population of Canada this means one car to every three hundred and ten people.

It is easy to see that many people will be unable to get their Ford Cars at all, and many will have to wait for summer or fall delivery.

As Ford Dealers in this territory we desire to deliver a car to every person in this district who wants one, but we cannot get the cars unless we send in the orders now.

If you will need a car later on don't wait till spring before ordering. Put yourself at the top of the delivery list by signing an order today.

Roy Smith - DEALER - Bassano

- and old 314  
is good for many  
seasons more



OUT on Gasperich's farm at Ondina, South Dakota, old Oil Pull Number 314 is still "delivering the goods." Bought back in 1911, year after year that has given that kind of satisfaction that only an Oil Pull can give—and she is good for many years more.

As Gasperich, himself, tells the story: "For eight years now, number 314 has been pulling a 14-inch thresher, cropping from 400 to 600 acres a year. We are fast finishing breaking for the winter, and the tractor is still in as good as when new, pulling light breaking plow in dry soil."

The reason why we bought an Oil Pull in the first place is that it was a guaranteed oil-burner; second, on account of its strong, right-tempered steel, and third, because of its remarkable performance with a throttle-governed and self-adjusting governor. And the right hand of that machine has not surpassed all its expectations."

"We have pulled eight 14-inch threshers on the same ground, and the old oil-burner still stands. People here breaking the same kind of ground have given up the oil-burner, and are using a single breaking plow and go at it. You can figure it out for

yourself—the Oil Pull has been pulling nearly an Roberts load. No tractor ever pulled around here has ever equaled it."

"As for engine operation, nothing can touch our old Oil Pull. I've never had a single engine fail, and we have a lot of oil-burners, buy gasoline by the barrel. We buy a gallon of gas in a winter, and start the tractor when the engine is cold. Our repairs have been to the oil filter and the engine."

"This is but one of many from the written records of Oil Pull performance that have proved the remarkable long life of the Oil Pull, and its popularity with every farmer."

"It is plain that the engine which can capture a tractor to its particular use for a period of years is in the hands of owners."

"You can get the Oil Pull in pieces from your dealer—there's a tip to fit your farm."

"Let's talk it over."

ADVANCE-RUMELY THRESHER CO., INC.

Harvey Smith - Agent - BASSANO, ALTA.

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Showcard Writer,  
Tobaccos, Cigars, Cigarettes  
Opposite Drug Store.  
Phone 60  
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Webster Block, Bassano

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Estimates given free on all work.

Bassano Lodge  
No. 85

Meets First Tuesday of each month.  
Visiting Brethren always welcome.  
E. H. Mair, W.M. E. H. McGehee, Sec.

## Dr. B. E. BARLOW

Veterinary Surgeon  
and Dentist, Etc.  
Day and Night Calls Promptly  
Attended.

Office :  
The Exchange Stables,  
Bassano.  
Phone: Office, 24; Residence, 20.

CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN  
(ANGLICAN)

Corner 2nd Avenue and 5th Street  
Services every week as advertised.

Sunday School 3:00 p.m.  
Rev. D. L. Greene, B.A., Incumbent

## Bassano PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Services - 7:30 p.m.  
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.  
Rev. T. S. PATON.

## FISH FOR LENT

During Lent we are making a specialty of supplying  
all kinds of Fresh, Salt and Smoked Fish Etc.

As usual, our customers can depend on the  
commodities we supply being the very best of  
quality obtainable, and at most moderate  
prices.

We pay the highest market prices for hides and jars  
and are able to give you better prices for beef cattle  
and hogs.

J. E. Bolton. Bassano

Bassano Municipal  
Hospital District  
No. 6

## Re Resident Non-Ratepayers

Resident non-ratepayers which  
district are remitted that taxes on  
the Municipal Hospital Act, 1918 and  
of the scheme under which the district  
was formed it is presumed that:

...the non-ratepayers, the  
parent of that amount of dollars, or  
before the thirty-first day of January  
in each year, shall be entitled to the  
ratepayers' fee of \$1.00 per day."

All resident non-ratepayers who  
will be entitled to the remission of  
taxes, shall be entitled to the same  
January 31st. Otherwise they will be  
charged the full rates for the hospital  
services.

Non resident non-ratepayers, whilst  
the district is entitled to these privileges  
will be entitled to the same provided  
they pay the same for the first  
thirty days residence and before taking  
any other residence.

By Order  
CHARLES CARMODY,  
Secretary - Treasurer

## REWARD

The sum of \$20.00 will be paid for  
information leading to recovery of a  
cattle bearing the following brands:

Right hip.  
Right hip.  
Left shoulder.  
Right side.  
Right hip.  
Left hip.  
Left ribs.  
Left hip.  
Right side.  
Left side.  
Left side.  
Left side.

JACOB MINKERLY,  
Box 187, Bassano

## \$10 REWARD

For information or news of one light  
grey Mare, 3 years old, with white  
mark on right side, the hindquarters  
white, tail black, ears black, white  
shoulder; one bay, gelding, weight  
about 1500 lbs., no brand. Searfed  
from Custer. Please communicate with

R. T. Connell, Gen. Atta.

## \$15 REWARD

Strayed

One Bay Mare, 3 yrs. old, white strip  
in face, black tail, left shoulder  
white, ears black, white shoulder;  
one bay, gelding, weight  
about 1500 lbs., no brand. Searfed  
from Custer. Please communicate with

R. W. LOWRY,  
Bassano

## \$25 REWARD

Strayed

One Black 4 year old Mare, shaved  
face, light tail; One Bay Mare with  
heavy tail, no shoulder, ears black,  
white shoulder; one bay, gelding,  
white shoulder, white tail, white  
hindquarters. One, 2 year old  
Gelding, white strip on face. All brand  
off on right side. Above reward  
will be paid for recovery of \$25.00  
Reward for information leading to  
recovery.

R. W. LOWRY,  
Bassano

## \$5 REWARD

Strayed

One Black 4 year old Mare, shaved  
face, light tail; One Bay Mare with  
heavy tail, no shoulder, ears black,  
white shoulder; one bay, gelding,  
white shoulder, white tail, white  
hindquarters. One, 2 year old  
Gelding, white strip on face. All brand  
off on right side. Above reward  
will be paid for recovery of \$5.00  
Reward for information leading to  
recovery.

R. W. LOWRY,  
Bassano

## STRAYED

To the premises of F. D. Williamson  
21 & 1622, One Red Cow, horse, served  
off to head, tail, ears, very gentle, has  
white tail to hocks, no hind legs, weighs  
about 1600 lbs., with Red and White  
tail. One Calf unbranded, cow is branded  
A.V. very dim left shoulder.

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The property is subject to a reserve  
of 10% on the purchase price.

The standing conditions of the  
Supreme Court of Alberta as approved  
by the Judge, apply to this case.

Further particulars may be had of  
Mueller, Mustard & Jay, Solicitors,  
McLeod, Block, Edmonton, Alberta,  
or Mr. Mayor, Solicitor, Bassano, Alberta.

DATED at Calgary, Alberta, this 19th  
January, 1920.

Approved:

W. R. W.

## FACE DISFIGURED WITH PIMPLES

Itched and Burned. Scarce-  
ly Slept. Cuticura Heals.

"Pimples affected my face. They were large and always festered, and when I rubbed them they hurt my face. They afterwards turned into sores and became crusty. I had to go to a big big market until my face was disfigured. They were so bad that I could not sleep at all."

"I had been bothered for nearly two months. I started using Cuticura and after I had used three boxes of Cuticura Ointment in the evening, I was completely cured. Now I am completely cured."

Use Cuticura Ointment and Talcum for all toll purposes.

For free sample of Cuticura send, One cent postage, to Cuticura Co., Dept. A, Boston, Mass. "Find your own doctor."

## Life in the Old Land Yet

Filled with admiration as all Canadians were by the wonderful achievements of Great Britain during the war, and proud that the Old Land stood ready to sacrifice anything and everything to win victory for liberty, humanity and civilization, many people were apprehensive that when the war was over Britain would be so financially weakened, and so disorganized, that the British colonies would have permanently lost its outstanding position among the nations of the world; that, in a word, British pre-eminence in finance, shipping and world trade would have passed beyond the Old Land to the Great Britain not only spent sums herself, but loaned hundreds of millions to nations upon rather doubtful security. In order to do this the Old Land disposed of her foreign held territories and concentrated on the large sources of national income, and from being a lending nation became a borrowing one, obtaining enormous sums from the United States. In many quarters it was commonly predicted that, as a result, New York and not London would be the future financial centre of the world.

During the war British shipping was destroyed by the piratical submarine faster than ships were built, and specifically all the shipping in existence was diverted from mercantile to war purposes. Coincident with this, the United States, which prior to the war had no mercantile marine worthy of the name, took the occasion to embark upon a great Government shipbuilding programme, and in addition it secured the nucleus of a mercantile marine from the seizure of interned German ships.

In the third place, the whole of Great Britain's foreign trade enterprises were diverted from usual peaceful manufacture and mobilized for the manufacture of munitions and other war material, while during the years from August 4, 1914, until the United States entered the war, Great Britain, the hater country, was busily engaged in manufacturing supplies of all kinds at large profits for the belligerent nations of Europe, thus gaining enormously at a time when Great Britain's industries were devoting all their activities to war works.

It was but natural that, under these circumstances, many people should be fearful for Great Britain's future. And those fears were by no means allayed when a naval strike followed another in Britain, thus retarding the rapid reconstruction of British industry on a peace-time basis. Even today, the unheard of depreciation of the British pound sterling on the American money markets is regarded with anxious concern by many in this country.

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These doubts and fears are further encouraged by the fact that English State newspapers and magazines, filled with flamboyant articles predicting American supremacy in the world of finance, shipping, industry and commerce, are widely read in Canada. It is to be hoped that the well-informed British opinion on the outlook and to find that these pessimistic views do not find reflection in the Old Land itself. One of the best informed men in Great Britain is Lord Northcliffe, owner of the London Times and a hundred other daily, weekly and monthly publications. He has availed of information to him which few men in the world enjoy. (Lord Northcliffe is the reverend son of a reverend.) In a recent interview with an American journalist he is more than optimistic over the labor situation in the British Isles, and lays particular emphasis upon the fact that while in the United States the labor situation is bad with a large percentage of foreign workers, British labor is composed overwhelmingly of men and women of English, Scotch, Irish and Welsh birth. Great Britain is solving her labor troubles upon sound lines and need not fear the competition of cheap labor and long working hours in countries like Japan, where present conditions, says, cannot last. Industrially, Lord Northcliffe backs the skilled British workers and mechanics.

In regard to shipping, Lord Northcliffe is absolutely confident that Great Britain will retain her supremacy. In this connection he says: "We expect very little from America, not even that of not destroying our able and far-seeing shipping men. We rely for our superiority in shipping upon our superior knowledge of a business which we have understood for centuries. Our people like shipbuilding, and we are not afraid to say that we can make you (United States) are going to get many American seamen from the majority of your states and territories. If this is so, then we are in for a small country like ours, do not think you will have any more chance of competing with us at sea than we have in competing with you in the erection of skyscrapers."

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He has availed of information to him which few men in the world enjoy. (Lord Northcliffe is the reverend son of a reverend.) In a recent interview with an American journalist he is more than optimistic over the labor situation in the British Isles, and lays particular emphasis upon the fact that while in the United States the labor situation is bad with a large percentage of foreign workers, British labor is composed overwhelmingly of men and women of English, Scotch, Irish and Welsh birth. Great Britain is solving her labor troubles upon sound lines and need not fear the competition of cheap labor and long working hours in countries like Japan, where present conditions, says, cannot last. Industrially, Lord Northcliffe backs the skilled British workers and mechanics.

In regard to shipping, Lord Northcliffe is absolutely confident that Great Britain will retain her supremacy. In this connection he says: "We expect very little from America, not even that of not destroying our able and far-seeing shipping men. We rely for our superiority in shipping upon our superior knowledge of a business which we have understood for centuries. Our people like shipbuilding, and we are not afraid to say that we can make you (United States) are going to get many American seamen from the majority of your states and territories. If this is so, then we are in for a small country like ours, do not think you will have any more chance of competing with us at sea than we have in competing with you in the erection of skyscrapers."

Lord Northcliffe's further reason in support of his belief that Britain will retain supremacy in world shipping, a reason of particular interest to Canadians, but with this in view, together with his views on Britain's strong position, will be treated in a subsequent article.

## DON'T USE THE KNIFE

That's the barbarous way of treating corn-dandruff, too common in Canada, especially all the skinning in existence was diverted from mercantile to war purposes. Coincident with this, the United States, which prior to the war had no mercantile marine worthy of the name, took the occasion to embark upon a great Government shipbuilding programme, and in addition it secured the nucleus of a mercantile marine from the seizure of interned German ships.

In the third place, the whole of Great Britain's foreign trade enterprises were diverted from usual peaceful manufacture and mobilized for the manufacture of munitions and other war material, while during the years from August 4, 1914, until the United States entered the war, Great Britain, the hater country, was busily engaged in manufacturing supplies of all kinds at large profits for the belligerent nations of Europe, thus gaining enormously at a time when Great Britain's industries were devoting all their activities to war works.

It was but natural that, under these circumstances, many people should be fearful for Great Britain's future. And those fears were by no means allayed when a naval strike followed another in Britain, thus retarding the rapid reconstruction of British industry on a peace-time basis. Even today, the unheard of depreciation of the British pound sterling on the American money markets is regarded with anxious concern by many in this country.

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An order-in-council has been passed doubling the rental on oil and natural gas locations in the Western Provinces, and giving the minister of the interior greater control over oil and gas developments. The initial rate will be fifty cents per acre for the first year, and one dollar for each subsequent year, such increase to apply on all applications submitted to the minister for the lease of oil and gas locations. The minister of the petroleum and natural gas regulations is rescinded, and the following clause substituted therefor:

"A company acquiring by assignment or otherwise a lease under the provisions of this section, may be a company registered or licensed in Canada, and having its principal place of business within His Majesty's dominions."

## OXO CUBES

Irrigated Land Brings High Rental

Seven hundred acres of irrigated

land near Lethbridge, Alberta, have just been leased at a yearly rental of twelve dollars a year. This is to be reckoned with a rental of one dollar an acre to irrigate land near Lethbridge, Alberta, in the same manner as fertile farm land, and still can be bought outright at this price is a tribute to the value at which irrigation in Southern Alberta is now esteemed. It is reported that twenty-five thousand acres have been added to the irrigated land in the last year, and that if this trend continues, irrigation will be the chief factor in the world's agriculture.

The well club is always a happy club, and the more so when it is to be happy and healthy. Mother Nature's little ones are cross and peevish and cry a great deal they are not well and are not healthy. Miss Alice H. H. Dodd, of the Baby Club, says: "I do not think you (United States) are going to get many American seamen from the majority of your states and territories. If this is so, then we are in for a small country like ours, do not think you will have any more chance of competing with us at sea than we have in competing with you in the erection of skyscrapers."

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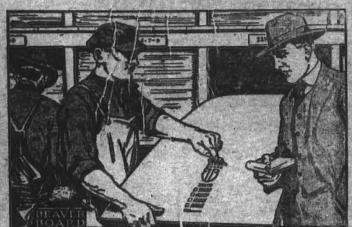
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## Local and Personal.

Mrs. Bulmer, who was called East by the sickness and death of her mother, returned home on Sunday.

Dan Shaw, the genial postmaster at Majorville, was a business visitor to Bassano on Tuesday.

The Whist Drive given by the Women's Guild of the Anglican Church last Friday at the Hunter Hotel was a great success. The prize winners were Mrs. Bredin and T. H. Hunter, while the unfortunate on the reverse end of the scale were Mrs. Hobbins and A. G. Boyd.

Mrs. J. L. Torgan received the sad news by wire on Tuesday that her father had died suddenly at Denver, Colo., following a paralytic stroke. The theatre was closed that night as a tribute of respect to his memory.

Ed. McEntee is visiting in town this week. "Mac" was formerly the town engineer and has a large circle of friends in Bassano.

The Social evening given by the Musical Society on Tuesday last was easily the most successful and enjoyable of its kind ever given in town. Mrs. (Dr.) Nelson, who had charge of the entertainment at program, and Mrs. Madill, who was responsible for the supper, and the committees who worked with them, are to be congratulated upon the success which attended their efforts to provide something different.

When! The rush of social events during the past few weeks has been so fast that nearly everyone will welcome the season of Lent which commenced yesterday (Ash Wednesday).

A number of local oddfellows are attending Grand Lodge which is being held in Calgary this week.

Services will be held at the Anglican Church on Sunday next at 11 a.m., when the sacrament of Holy Communion will be administered.

J. C. McLellan, the hustler of Garrow & McIlroy's big superstore, returned from his trip east on Monday, perfectly sound and tickled to death at being back.

Miss Cooper visited her relatives and other things at Medicine Hat during the week end.

Farmers! Watch for the date of the big agricultural meeting which is to be held shortly in town. Two of the most famous men in the provinces are to address the meeting.

Big Social Dance at the Bassano Hall on Friday February 20th. Wilson's Orchestra. Good Time.

On Sunday afternoon, March 6th a unique and interesting event will be given by the Musical Society in the shape of a Sacred Concert. This concert will be well worth while, for a number of the most beautiful sacred numbers will be rendered by the choir and soloists.

## TOWN COUNCIL

which an amendment to the report, that Mr. Brennan be suspended pending an investigation and that no test of the plant, was lost. The Mayor's casting vote, the report was finally adopted, and Mr. Brennan's services will be dispensed with after the 31st of March.

A vote of appreciation to the Natural Resources Dept. of the C.P.R. and to the officials of the United Electric & Engineering Company for the splendid work accomplished by them during the past week in supplying electric current from the coal town in such a wonderful short time, was carried unanimously.

The report of the minutes of the special meeting held on Monday the 10th inst., showed that the council has made a proposition to the C.P.R. for supplying water at 5c. per 1,000 gallons for a minimum supply of 150,000 gallons per day, 7c. per 1,000 for a minimum supply of 200,000 gallons per day, or in alternative, to confine the present scale of 12c. per 1,000 gallons for a minimum supply of 100,000 gallons per day.

The matter of the town's case against the United Electric & Engineering Co. was dropped with the proviso that the company relinquish all claims against the town.



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